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Re:

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Application of Hajime ITO, Minoru KANAI,

Masanobu TANIGUCHI, Kenji USUI

LIGHT ALLOY WHEEL FOR VEHICLE AND METHOD AND APPARATUS

FOR PRODUCING SAME

Assignee: HITACHI METALS, LTD.

Our Ref. Q68026

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 36 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and , 15 sheet(s) of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims 21 - 20 = 1 x \$18.00 = \$18.00Independent claims 5 - 3 = 2 x \$84.00 = \$168.00Base Fee \$740.00

TOTAL FEE \$926.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$926.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

Country

Application No

Filing Date

Japan

2001-3859

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The priority document(s) will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

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